

REMARKS

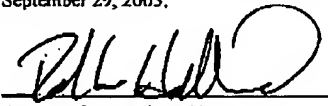
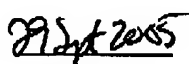
Claims 1, 2, 8 - 10 stand rejected as anticipated by U.S. Publication No. 2005/0077841 issued to Lurkens et al (Lurkens). Claims 4, 7 and 13 - 15 stand rejected as being unpatentable over Lurkens in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,520,648 issued to Stark et al. Claim 5 stands rejected as being unpatentable over Lurkens in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,637,893 issued to Hecht. Appreciation is expressed for the indication of allowance of Claims 16 - 18 and 20 and the indication that Claims 3 and 11 recite allowable subject matter. Applicants respectfully traverse and request reconsideration and withdrawal of the Examiner's rejections.

Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to the Response filed by Applicants on January 3, 2005, in response to the Office Action dated December 2, 2004. In the December Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 1 and 8 as anticipated by Lurkens. In a subsequent Office Action dated March 28, 2005, the Examiner apparently withdrew the rejections based on Lurkens to assert other rejections. Applicants' object to the Examiner's reassertion of anticipation of Claims 1 and 8 by Lurkens. Claims 1 and 8 are not anticipated by Lurkens for the reasons set forth in Applicants's January 3, 2005 Response. For instance, Lurkens fails to teach, disclose or suggest "luminance controller operable to reduce the power driver output to limit projector bulb luminance at or below a setpoint level associated with a desired projector bulb life if the maximum luminance of the projector bulb is greater than a predetermined brightness" as recited by Claim 1, or "reducing the power applied to the projector bulb to reduce the luminance of the projector bulb to at or below the luminance threshold associated with the desired projector life" as recited by Claim 8. As Applicants pointed out in the January 3, 2005 Response, "Lurkens discloses only small adjustments to power in response to sensed luminance to reduce flicker and seeks to maintain power substantially at the rated power of the bulb, accepting declines in brightness at the rated power over time." Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner issue a notice of allowance for all pending claims without further delay.


CONCLUSION

In view of the remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 502264.

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